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SANBAG Recognized for ‘Local Street Project of the Year’



SAN BERNARDINO - On June 15, 2011 the California Transportation Foundation presented San Bernardino Associated Governments (SANBAG) with the 2011 Local Street Project of the Year Award for outstanding achievement in delivery of a multi-tier traffic signal timing system that will improve efficiency and overall operation of local streets throughout the San Bernardino Valley. The ceremony, held in Sacramento, California, featured award nominees from a variety of categories representing many projects and locations throughout the state, all seeking the coveted transportation award recognition.

This multi-faceted project, completed over the last two to three years, includes the coordination of more than 650 signalized intersections covering 150 miles of roadways, 48 interchanges and three State Highways. Tiers one and two of the ultimate four-tier strategy required extensive coordination among 16 cities valley wide from Montclair in the west to Redlands in the east and from north San Bernardino to Chino in the south. The results of this project include:

- 22% reduction in overall travel time;
- 47% reduction in the number of stops required;
- 27% improvement in travel speed;
- 15% reduction in emissions; and
- 12% reduction in fuel consumption, resulting in a savings of millions of dollars per year to the motoring public.

“This recognition is fantastic, but more importantly, the long-term benefits realized by motorists in the County of San Bernardino make this such a worthy project,” said SANBAG President Brad Mitzelfelt. “Hopefully, this project paves the way as a national model for additional synchronization efforts.”

SANBAG is already underway with delivery of the third and fourth tiers of this comprehensive signal synchronization effort. By the end of year, over 1000 signals throughout the valley will have been coordinated for improved operation.

For more information about this award-winning project, visit us on the web at:
http://www.sanbag.ca.gov/projects/subr_traffic-signal.html

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